



# Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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## CROP INFORMATION

**Days suitable for fieldwork:** 2.0  
**Soil moisture supplies:** 1% short, 26% adequate, and 73% surplus

**Field Crops Report**  
Rainfall continued across most of the state slowing the harvest progress of field crops and bringing planting and 2010 crop winter wheat to a near-standstill. Cotton harvest reached thirty-four percent, falling far behind the five-year average of ninety-four percent. Soybean harvest reached eighty percent, falling behind the five-year average of ninety-seven percent.

**Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops**  
Producers harvested greenhouse tomatoes, greens, and eggplants. Sweet potatoes reached a critical point for damage and breakdown due to wet conditions in the field. Citrus producers continued to harvest satsumas. Pecan harvest reached twenty-nine percent, behind the five-year average of thirty-seven percent. Crawfish producers checked ponds and monitored water quality.

**Livestock, Pasture and Range Report**  
Rain continued to delay the planting of winter forages. Cattlemen continued to market calves.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Cotton	Harvested	34	29	95	94
Hay	Second Cutting	99	98	100	100
Pecans	Harvested	29	22	31	37
Rice	Harvested	98	97	100	100
Sorghum	Harvested	99	99	100	100
Soybeans	Dropping Leaves	100	100	100	100
	Harvested	80	73	97	97
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	47	46	72	79
Sugarcane	Planted	99	99	100	100
	Harvested	27	17	19	27
Winter Wheat	Planted	15	14	22	21
	Emerged	4	3	6	3
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	24	49	23	3	1
Sugarcane	5	11	36	36	12
Livestock	1	8	47	40	4
Vegetables	11	35	33	19	2
Pasture	5	21	40	29	5

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 10/26/09 TO 11/01/09

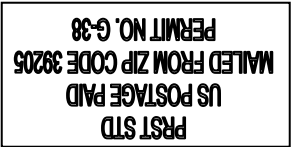
	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	NORM
<b>1. Northwest</b>								
LSU-Bossier City	79	44	59	61	8.26	15.55	56.46	42.31
Minden	79	41	57	60	5.35	16.51	62.53	45.07
Mooringsport	78	44	59	MM	5.44	17.26	64.24	38.61
Extreme/Average	79	41	58	61	6.35	16.44	61.08	43.31
<b>2. North-Central</b>								
LSU-Calhoun	83	42	57	61	5.29	18.12	57.86	45.59
Homer/Hill Farm	78	(39)	56	59	6.44	19.41	67.49	45.57
ULM-Monroe	84	45	59	61	5.11	21.00	61.38	47.16
Columbia Lock	84	44	59	MM	4.31	14.03	51.83	48.57
Extreme/Average	84	39	58	61	5.29	18.14	59.64	46.53
<b>3. Northeast</b>								
Lake Providence	83	45	60	61	3.16	16.04	57.56	48.12
LSU-St Joseph	85	43	62	62	2.46	7.82	44.99	45.97
LSU-Winnsboro	85	42	60	61	3.43	11.71	50.12	45.77
Tallulah	84	41	60	61	2.55	9.27	55.97	47.50
Extreme/Average	85	41	61	62	2.72	11.04	52.84	46.82
<b>4. West-Central</b>								
Leesville	81	41	59	62	9.18	16.12	50.61	46.55
LSU-Rosepine	80	44	59	63	8.06	13.61	47.64	47.96
Natchitoches	85	50	62	62	5.76	17.53	55.89	44.53
Extreme/Average	85	41	60	62	7.67	15.75	51.38	45.66
<b>5. Central</b>								
Alexandria	83	47	61	64	5.06	10.96	47.12	49.47
Brusly	(89)	42	65	63	2.94	10.27	45.82	53.17
Bunkie	86	44	61	63	2.84	12.19	51.58	50.15
LSU-Alexandria	84	44	61	62	5.96	10.74	46.83	47.89
Extreme/Average	89	42	62	63	4.20	11.04	48.08	49.71
<b>6. East-Central</b>								
Franklinton 5SW	84	43	63	MM	1.00	6.65	43.14	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	85	44	64	64	1.90	7.24	41.96	51.63
Amite	85	41	64	63	1.80	8.30	46.48	55.67
LSU-Hammond	84	41	63	63	0.99	5.88	37.98	53.99
Slidell	83	44	64	65	1.70	7.75	47.47	52.97
Extreme/Average	85	41	63	64	1.48	7.16	43.47	53.97
<b>7. Southwest</b>								
DeRidder	81	46	61	64	5.25	12.43	52.05	49.61
Jennings	84	47	64	65	2.92	10.28	49.14	50.31
LSU-Crowley	83	47	65	65	4.09	13.37	55.42	50.20
Extreme/Average	84	46	63	65	4.09	12.03	52.20	51.14
<b>8. South-Central</b>								
Donaldsonville	86	44	64	65	1.74	12.14	56.43	52.44
LSU-Jeanerette	86	47	66	64	3.14	12.36	65.48	53.13
Morgan City	83	52	66	66	1.00	6.56	43.71	55.60
Extreme/Average	86	44	65	66	1.96	10.35	55.21	53.60
<b>9. Southeast</b>								
Galliano	85	49	68	66	1.45	7.06	50.87	56.91
Houma	85	46	66	66	0.79	4.04	37.06	54.84
Terrytown 3S	84	48	66	MM	1.44	5.79	55.09	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	65	M.MM	M.MM	10.08	55.45
Extreme/Average	85	46	67	67	1.23	5.63	52.98	54.83

State

State Averages 89 39 62 63 3.82 11.76 52.57 49.79  
M = Missing ( ) = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through November 1, 2009

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